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One subject arrested on multiple drug charges after attempting to elude officers in Sunday night incident

An incident Sunday night, Feb. 2, in downtown Elba near the Dairy Queen restaurant led to the arrest of an Elba man on multiple drug charges.

Elba Police Chief Leslie Hussey said a traffic stop was conducted Sunday night at approximately 8:32 p.m. He said the suspect pulled into the Dairy Queen parking lot for the traffic stop.

The suspect, Zendre Coleman, age 44, of Elba, was removed from the vehicle at which time Chief Hussey said he began fighting the officers.

"He [Coleman] ran up Farris Street behind some houses," Hussey said. "Officers were able to catch the suspect and take him into custody."

During New Brockton Council meeting Mayor shares letter applauding two police officers for assistance provided to a traveling motorist

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the New Brockton Town Council meeting held Monday evening, Feb. 3, Mayor Kathy Holley read a letter to council members applauding to New Brockton police officers for a job well done.

Holley said she received the letter from an individual who lives in Florida but was traveling through New Brockton on Highway 84 over the weekend when vehicle troubles stopped him alongside the road. The individual said he was traveling home and pulling a trailer of cattle after a full day of showing at a cattle show in Luverne, Ala.

This individual noted in his letter that he, himself, has been in law enforcement in Florida for many years, and he said he wanted to applaud the efforts of officers Joshua Sullivant and Terry Williams for the assistance they provided him in his time of need.

The letter noted that officers Sullivant and Williams were very helpful and went above and beyond to help make what otherwise would have been an awful situation be more pleasant. Further, the letter said these officers displayed the type of service that any law enforcement officer should provide to citizens, and the writer said he felt the mayor should be aware of the good job done by these two employees.

The letter noted the extra lengths these two officers went to in an effort to keep the vehicle and trailer safe after it had to be left overnight alongside the road until the owner could get the necessary mechanical assistance to get it back on the road to continue traveling home.



Zendre Coleman

actual gun shots or not, had no involvement with the situation at hand concerning Coleman.

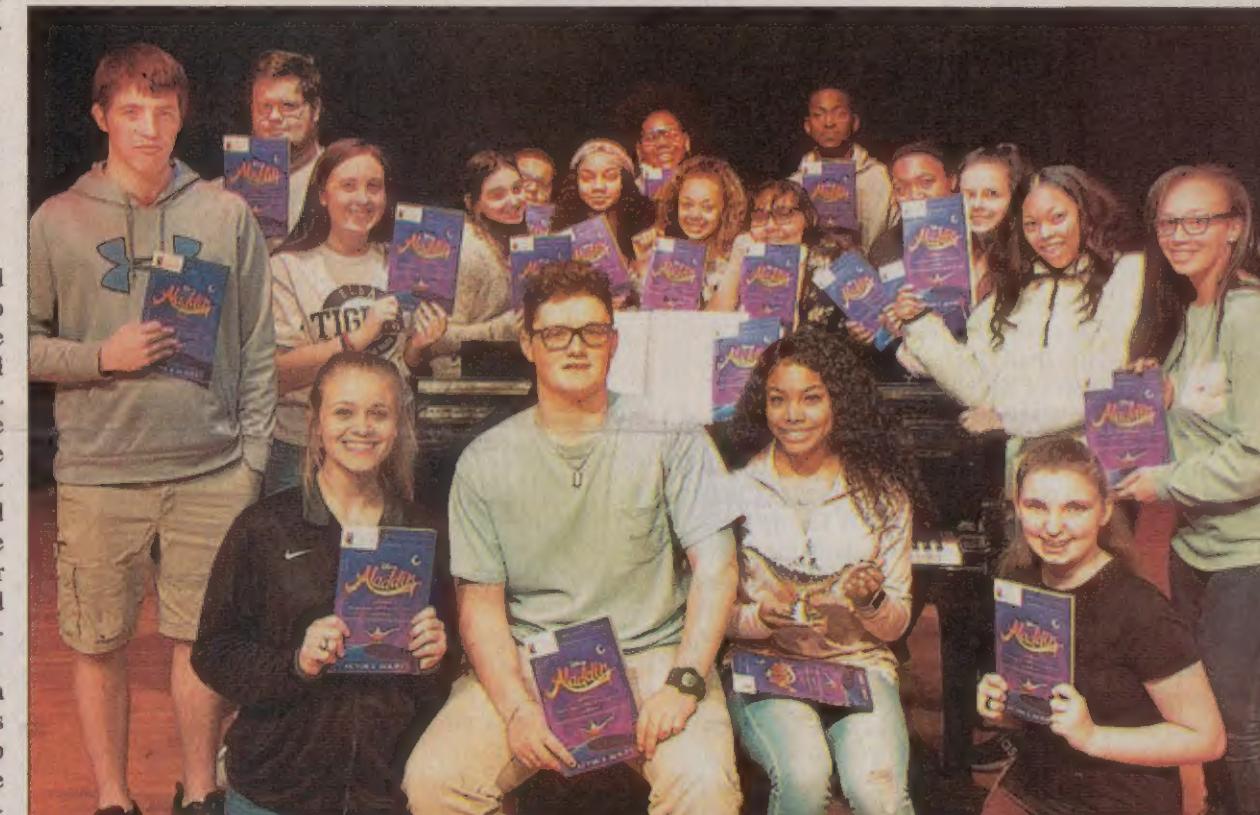
Coleman was charged with possession of a controlled substance [\$7,500 bond], possession of marijuana [\$1,500 bond], attempting to elude [\$2,500 bond], and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia [\$1,000 bond]. He was booked into the Coffee County Jail after his arrest Sunday night.

Coleman was released Monday, Feb. 3, on bond, according to Coffee County Jail records.

Elba Police were assisted by deputies with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department in this incident.



TWO-VEHICLE COLLISION... Just after 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, emergency personnel in Elba were dispatched to the scene of a 2-vehicle wreck on Hickman Avenue (in front of Coleman Funeral Home) at the intersection of Clark Street. Upon arrival on scene, Elba Police and Elba firefighters found this Nissan Altima disabled from the collision in the middle of the intersection. The other vehicle involved was damaged on the driver's side of the car but appeared to still be drivable. There were no injuries reported from this accident, which was investigated by Elba Police.



The cast of Aladdin Jr. at Elba High School already is hard at work preparing for the 60-minute live musical performance they will bring to the community during a 2-night event on May 7th and 8th. The musical will be a fully student-led production. The performances will be open to the public with a small \$5 charge.

Elba High School bringing Disney's Aladdin Jr.® to life this Spring

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Something different this year, and a lot of our students have shown an interest in musical theatre. Add

in that we've got the students with the personalities for it – singing and dancing, and we just decided to go for it."

He said Elba has not done a live musical since he has been with the school system, and he said no one he has talked with remembers the school ever putting on a licensed musical.

"This is going to be such a unique experience for our kids and the community as a whole," Tucker said. "It will give everyone the experience of a live theatre presentation right here in our own community."

Tucker said as he began researching musicals, he just felt Aladdin would be a good fit for Elba. He said it

just has a little something for everyone.

The musical will be a full costume production with sound, lights and all that goes along with live theatre, and Tucker said the auditorium at Elba High School is a great place for such a production.

"We constantly are trying to provide as many possibilities as we can for our students," he said. "We've already met a need that the student body had by bringing this production to the school."

Tucker said the entire cast members for Aladdin were not current choir members this year, but he said the excitement over the live musical production has generated even more interest in this growing program for the school system.

"We are always looking for new things to offer our students, and this is a great opportunity that touches a lot of different students."

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Patriotism means to stand with the country. It does not mean to stand with the resident" – President Theodore Roosevelt

The 75th anniversary of the Auschwitz Nazi death camp liberation was recognized last week. It continues to bother us when people try to deny the death camps even existed all over Europe. Ike predicted this would happen and commissioned lots of pictures to document reality. Still there are the deniers. If we could organize such a massive project, every person in the world would have to take a tour of one (or more) of the camps, walk up to the ovens, the gas chambers, etc. We have been there and while it was years later, the air seemed to still be overpowered by the odor of burning flesh from the thousands who died there.

An editorial in The Birmingham News last week moaned about U.S. Rep. (and US Senate candidate) Bradley Byrne and his comments about Democrats not believing in God, etc. We read an 'open letter' to Byrne from one of his fellow Baldwin County church members who noted she was a Democrat but had previously politicked for Byrne. She was not happy with his negative comments.

Super Bowl ads cost this week were \$5.6 million for 30 seconds of advertising. Snickers and Cheetos were the only '4-star' advertisers in the Super Bowl, according to a Chicago Tribune opinion writer who had apparently viewed most, if not all of the commercials. We wonder how this will compare with the public ratings after the game. If it holds, we feel for the folks who designed and filmed the 'one star' group (or even worse – those who were not even rated by this writer). We were on the computer for a while Sunday night and clicked on the Super Bowl just before half time. Verizon's advertisement (or soft sell) of their new 5G technology caught our attention. Instead of talking about how great their company and cell phone service is, this ad praised emergency workers, including first responders, medical folks, law enforcement, etc., as the ones who really count and would benefit with 5G service. I didn't even hear the Verizon name until the end of the commercial. Well done.

We admire the great mission of the Ronald McDonald House and the way this charity makes it work for the benefit of sick children and their families visiting places like Birmingham for doctor appointments and treatment. Their 2019 annual impact report is just out, and it is not disappointing. The Birmingham facility has 73 rooms – people stayed an average of 14 nights with the record being a stay of 204 nights! 5,211 people were served, 1,921 family stays, \$8.2 million saved (by affected families) in food and lodging costs, 6,021 visits to their Family Rooms. No one would be disappointed for helping this organization, either financially or as a volunteer worker or sponsor of a meal for the families.

A few weeks ago we commented about a couple of books we have just been rereading. One by Doris Kearns Goodwin covered the careers of Abe Lincoln, both the Roosevelts and Lyndon Johnson. Sunday afternoon we were thinking about some of the great things those guys did in their life and as our president. For a while we pondered why the LBJ portion of the book showed more of his 'warts' than the sections covering of the other three. Our conclusion was not that LBJ was worse, but that the writer knew him personally, had worked for him in the White House and after he went back to his Texas ranch. She just wrote about him from her personal experiences and not just what the historical records revealed. She is a Pulitzer Prize winner and is now teaching at Harvard.

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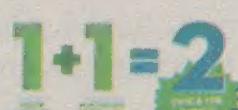
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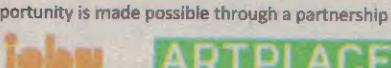
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Wiregrass Cotton Expo set for Feb. 14th at NPF fairgrounds in Dothan

Genetics, profitability, crop management and soil fertility are a few of the topics on tap for discussion at the 2020 Wiregrass Cotton Expo.

The expo is free to attend and will include several exhibitors and speakers presenting information on a variety of topics.

William Birdsong, an Al-

Fairgrounds in Dothan, Ala. beginning at 7:30 a.m. with registration.

The annual Cotton Expo will be held Feb. 14 at the National Peanut Festival

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Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's comments are best delivered using your biggest Southern drawl, lol!

Cuzin Lou Lou watched with anticipation, like many others, this past Sunday night for the Superbowl halftime show.

Actually, Lou Lou watched the whole thing mostly to see the commercials, which in her opinion have become less than stellar over the years. A few days later, and not one commercial from this year's Superbowl made a lasting impression on Lou Lou.

Disappointing.

However, the halftime show featuring music artists Jennifer Lopez and Shakira definitely got Lou Lou's attention. And, from the Facebook feeds this week, it certainly attracted the attention of many others as well.

As with most things these days, the opinions are far and wide. Even Lou Lou is still trying to decide exactly where she stands on the matter!

By the end of that electrifying 12 minutes of performance from the two Latina artists, Lou Lou's initial reaction was, "Whew! I am tired for them after watching that!"

It was no real surprise that the Superbowl chose to feature the Latino heritage with Sunday night's halftime show, especially with the large Latino presence in the Miami, Florida area. It also was no surprise there was a lot of what Cuzin Lou Lou calls "booty shakin'" going on during the performance either - after all it's Latin and expected.

The biggest surprise to Lou Lou was J Lo's wardrobe choice. Now, it was not nearly as bad as that infamous Janet Jackson "wardrobe malfunction" episode [Lou Lou still thinks that was a planned thing all along] some years back, but a couple of times J Lo had Lou Lou coughing out a "What in the Name of Yonder?"

Cuzin Lou Lou is a wordly woman, so she thinks, and she realizes that skimpy clothing worn by a singer has become more and more the norm. But, is it really necessary for one to show practically her entire booty on national television?????

J Lo turned around a time or two and all Cuzin Lou Lou could do was drop her jaw and say "Have mercy! Cover your eyes, Papa!!"

This is when Cuzin Lou Lou reverts to her Southern upbringing thinks, "Back over Yonder, my mama, God rest her soul, would have skinned my hide for literally baring my hide! And, I'd have been shaking it too but from the burn of that belt rather than dancing!"

Yet, despite that reaction, Cuzin Lou Lou tried to be a woman of today and look at this from more than one angle.

J Lo is 50 years old and Shakira is 43 years old. Truth be told... Lou Lou herself can only dream of being as fit as those two. Looking at it that way, Lou Lou thought sheepishly – "If I looked like that, I might just show it off too... embarrassing or not?"

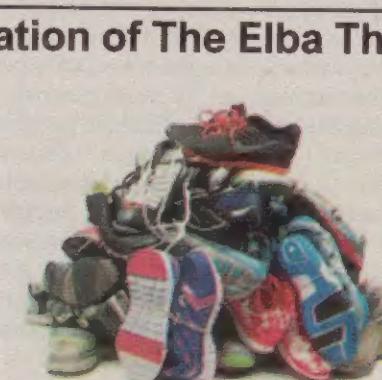
Quickly after the thought, Lou Lou conceded that she probably never would have revealed quite as much as J Lo, but heck, kudos to her for that mobility at age 50! Lou Lou still gets tired just thinking about the high-octane performance both artists presented.

In the end, Cuzin Lou Lou decided both entertainers had great musical performances, but it probably would have been just as good with a little more fabric on those costumes. Regardless, it definitely got people talking again about 50-year-old Jennifer Lopez and 43-year-old Shakira, which was most likely the intended reaction.

On the other hand, J Lo's pole dancing...not THAT is a whole different story.

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!

** Cuzin Lou Lou is, simply put, a figment of the imagination. Each week, Cuzin Lou Lou will explore actual stories, happenings and more by adding a bit of humor to each from her homeland of Somewhere Over Yonder. The intent of this column is to take a light-hearted look at things and be entertaining only.



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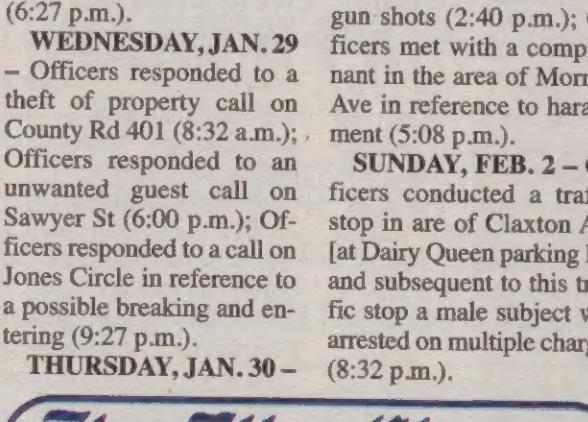


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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Things I'm looking for in a candidate for mayor and city leadership:

Someone that will bring more business into Elba. We need another grocery store that will make sure that they don't sell stuff that is out of date because Food Giant has a lot of expired items on their shelves. We need some sort of clothing store that sells more reasonably priced clothing. Boutique stores aren't for everyone. We spend most of our money in Enterprise and Andalusia. Wouldn't it be great if we could spend more money in our own city?

Someone that will make sure the police know the city's ordinances. We have had problems with the mobile boom box driving around. He drives a white town car and sometimes has Alabama flags on the back of the car. I've called the police numerous times and the last time I called about the noise, "David" told me that the city's noise ordinance was only for after 11 pm. I have a copy of the noise ordinance and there is no time specified anywhere in the ordinance.

Someone that will be more active in the downtown community. We've spoken with several of our

neighbors and the general consensus is that "Elba doesn't really care". I don't believe that. I believe that our leaders do care and I would hope that they are indeed trying to improve roads (fix the potholes for the love of God) and improve living conditions for some that are living in rental properties that I know for a fact are not up to code. Those landlords need to be forced to fix the problems in their rental properties.

The problem with the downtown community is that a lot of people think there's no point in complaining to city officials because they feel like nothing is going to be done. Does Elba really want to be known for this? I seriously doubt it. We need city leadership that will be aggressively outspoken to let these people know that they can speak up about concerns and that something will be done. We're not asking for an instantaneous fix. Just a show of an intention to actually do something to help the problem.

Also, who is the dog catcher related to? Seriously, this guy is afraid of dogs. When he came to pick up a dog last summer that a neighbor on the street behind us just was not keeping

up or taking care of, my daughter had to put the dog in the cage for him because he was just standing there expecting the dog to maybe get in the cage on its own. Something DESPERATELY needs to be done about the community cats. I know that none of them have had proper vet care and that just spreads bacteria and illness. None of them have had their shots. Something needs to be done about the loose chickens and roosters. This residential area is more like a zoo.

I will say that one thing that Elba does perfectly is community events. I love the car show, Pumpkins On The Square, and the July 4th celebration. We are so happy that Elba offers these events because, despite the problems I listed above, we do like living here better than living in the Birmingham Metro area. Maybe not quite as much as we did in the beginning due to the problems, but I know that all of those issues can be resolved. The question is will they be resolved?

Lori Holcomb

Share Your Views...

Write a Letter to
the Editor

FRANCIS REEVES

Mr. Francis "Frank" Reeves, age 76, of Panama City, Fla., formerly of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, Feb. 1, 2020, at his home.

Funeral services were held from Hayes Funeral Home Chapel on Wednesday Feb. 5, 2020, at 1 p.m., with Rev. Bruce Williams officiating. Visitation

was at Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Burial followed in the Whitewater Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife: Carmen B. Reeves, Panama City; daughters: Tammy Carr (Stewart), Tuscaloosa, Ala., Kesia Milner (Steve), Panama City, and Kathy Reeves, Toowomba, Australia; sons: Francis M. "Sport" Reeves Jr. (Renee), Elba, Jeremy Blenn (Lauren), Washington, DC, and Andrew Blenn, Panama City; brother: Grady H. Reeves (Sheila), Goodman, Ala.; granddaughters: Samantha Aplin (Barry), Geneva, Ala., Heather Hill, Elba, Kelly Glynn, Brisbane, Australia, and Stephanie McWaters, Brundidge, Ala.; grandsons: James D. McWaters Jr. (Sarah), Jack, Ala., Timothy Reeves, Elba; and eight great-grandchildren.

HAROLD BERRY

Mr. Harold Berry, age 82, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, Jan. 31, 2020, at his home.

Harold was an active member of Ino Baptist Church, and a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, in Lodge 170 of Elba. He worked for Shell Oil Company for 30 years and as a bus driver for the Elba City Schools following his retirement from Shell.

Visitation will be Thursday, Feb. 6, 2020 at 10 a.m. at Ino Baptist Church. Funeral services will be at Ino Baptist Church beginning at 11 a.m. Thursday with Rev. Garry Winstead and Rev. Wayne Russell officiating. Burial will follow in the Ino Baptist Church Cemetery with Masonic and Military honors with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing. Flowers are being accepted or in lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Ino Baptist Church, 6157 Highway 134, Kinston, AL 36453 or The American Heart Association.

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CHURCH NEWS

Pastor's Corner

MINISTER PHILIP BOX
ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

We must stay faithful to God and prepare for our Lord's coming!
(Always be committed to Jesus)

The ending of our earthly life is certain. Our life should be lived completely in the hands of God. From conception to the end of our life on earth, we belong to God. As we reach the age of being accountable before God, we must do our best to honor Him both in life and in death. Physical death is a transition to life eternal for the Christian. Your life should be lived in a constant state of spiritual preparation, so when the time comes for you to depart this life, you are sure that you have prepared for the eternal rest that God has made available through the blood of Jesus. This eternal rest is for those who have served God faithfully.

Death is a reality that will be faced by all. Nothing is more common than death. Since the day that God said, "Thou shalt surely die" man has considered and pondered this great theme. Death is so common that Joshua referred to it as, "The way of all the earth." (Joshua 23:14) Death is a tragedy for the unprepared, but a blessing for the faithful. Prepare now and let's go to heaven together.

The Elba Ministerial Alliance
meets at Subway the first Thursday of each month at 8:30AM. If your church is not already a member we extend an invitation, we are also trying hard to build community relationships and would like to invite your nonprofit to come and tell us what you're doing. If you would like more information call 334-897-2057

Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church to hold Family and Friends Day this Sunday

Greater Springfield Missionary Baptist Church, New Brockton, Ala., will host Family and Friends Day on Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2:30 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Rev. George Scott, Beth El Faith Church of Enterprise, Ala.

All are invited to attend this special service.

ACTS Ministries planning The Fragrance of Worship Concert for Saturday, Feb. 15 at Harris Temple COGIC in Elba, Ala.

ACTS Ministries COGIC will host The Fragrance of Worship Concert on Saturday, Feb. 15, at 6 p.m. at Harris Temple COGIC in Elba, Ala.

The guest clinician for this concert will be Pastor Alekia J. Luckett. The rehearsals for the concert will be Thursday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 15, at 10 a.m. at Harris Temple.

All age groups, choirs, praise teams and musicians are invited to attend.

Harris Temple COGIC to hold Pastor Appreciation event Sunday, Feb. 16th

The 29th Pastoral Appreciation event will be held Sunday, Feb. 16, at Harris Temple Church of God in Christ in Elba.

The service is honoring Superintendent Keith and Lady Sara Ellison. Services are scheduled at 11 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Superintendent Jimmy Allen. The church is located at 747 Adams Avenue, Elba.

All seniors age 60 and older encouraged to join fun at Elba Senior Citizens Center

The Elba Senior Citizens Center encourages all seniors - age 60 and older - to join the center for lots of fun, activities and more.

Along with nutritious meals 5-days-per-week, the director works with seniors to help them apply for several programs they may qualify for, including: Farmers Market Vouchers, HRDC- Energy Assistance, Food Assistance, Medicaid Waiver, Senior Rx Program, Medicare Savings Program, etc. A senior must be an active participant at the

Elba Senior center for the director to sign up for programs that they may qualify for to receive assistance.

If interested in joining the center, stop by or call 897-3019. The Elba Senior Citizens Center is located at 304 N. Factory Ave., Elba.

TOWN

rent the council chambers and senior center each now will be \$100 with a \$50 deposit while the fee to rent the town park is \$30 per day

[this covers the use of the restrooms which are otherwise normally locked].

Town clerk Debbie Andrews had good news for the council as she provided the monthly financial report.

During the January meeting, Andrews had indicated she would like to pay off a loan with the bank that had been on the town's books for 20+ years. Monday night, she said that loan is now paid in full.

Mayor Holley happily said that paying this loan off means that all the town's properties are off the bank's

books.

At the end of January, Andrews said the general fund showed a balance of \$266,626.56, and she said income for the month of January was \$60,485.13.

The council voted to pay the monthly bills, as well.

The New Brockton Town offices will be closed Monday, Feb. 17, in observance of President's Day. The council will gather Monday evening, Feb. 24, at 6 p.m. for its monthly work session.

The next town council meeting will be Monday, March 2, at 6 p.m.

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COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Diana White, Pastor
Bible Study . . . 9:00 a.m.
Fellowship . . . 9:45 a.m.
Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities) . . . 6:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Dale Morgan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m.

FATH CHAPEL

Community Church
Philip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Bon Posey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 7:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH

Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greg Haney, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH

Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH

Oversers - Bro. Billy Berry
Sat. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 4:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

MAT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Dewey Engle, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HOPPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH

Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . . . 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Cary Mauldin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

Pastor Bishop E.H. H.B.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship . . . 12:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed. Service Class . . . 7:00 p.m.
Fri. Missionary Ser. . . 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH

Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH

Lowell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Lorraine Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Lorraine Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ROXBURGH BAPTIST CHURCH

John Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

ZORAH COMMUNITY CHURCH

John Isaacs, Pastor
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Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . 7:00 p.m.

Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Trust in the Salvation of the Lord. Psalm 13: 1-6

Baptist Church, Glenwood, Ala., invites all to the celebration of Pastor David Head's 11th Anniversary. This will be Sunday, Feb. 9, at 2 p.m. Pastor A.R. Williams will deliver the message at this celebration.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of

1/30/2020 – True or False

Q: If the people would do what Jeremiah says, the Lord promised He would not bring disaster on the people.

A: True [read Jeremiah 26:13]

Q: The King Jeremiah condemned was King Solomon.

A: False [read Jeremiah 22: 18]

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Ree-Nita Brooks, Joyce S. Jones, Myron K. Duncan, Betty Moore, Dorothy Crowe, Barbara Kelley Smith, Ariel M. Hutchinson

February Birthdays / Anniversaries

Wiley Brooks 2/12</

LIFESTYLES

Coffee County Habitat for Humanity plans Father-Daughter Banquet for Feb. 21st in Enterprise

The Coffee County Habitat for Humanity presents its Tenth Annual Father-Daughter Banquet to help raise funds for the organization's ongoing effort to eliminate substandard housing in the county.

The "Winter Wonderland" banquet will be held Friday, Feb. 21, beginning at 6:30 p.m., at First United Methodist Church in Enterprise, Ala. All proceeds will go to Coffee County Habitat for Humanity.

Billed as an event for fathers to create a lasting memory with their daughters, the event will include dinner, dancing, and a photo opportunity. This event also serves as an opportunity for grandfathers to share a delightful evening with

their granddaughters.

A Father-Daughter ticket is \$100 with \$30 for the first additional daughter.

\$10 for a second additional daughter. There is no additional charge for four or more daughters. Tickets are available at Gifts on the Hill and Goolsby Bros. Plumbing & Electrical.

Recommended ages for daughters are 4-16. Attire for the event is coat and tie for fathers and dressy for daughters.

Contact Ashley Avery at (334) 208.1108 or BamaAshley94@gmail.com for more event information, to make reservations, or to sponsor a father and daughter.



US SENATE CANDIDATE VISITS ELBA...Bradley Byrne (shown center of group) visited Elba last Friday, Jan. 31, to a Come and Go session at the Elba Chamber of Commerce to meet voters. Byrne currently is serving his fourth term in the U.S. House of Representatives but is seeking election in 2020 to the U.S. Senate for Alabama. Above, Byrne meets with several Elba leaders including Mayor Mickey Murdock, Councilmember Tom Maddox, City Clerk Sally Bane, State Senator Jimmy Holley, and more.



Alabama Possible Executive Director Kristina Scott, left, and ACCS Executive Director of Research, Grants, and Development Dr. Vicki Ohlson encourage Alabamians to be counted at the ACCS 2020 kick-off Monday, Jan. 27, in Montgomery.

2020 Census efforts kick off at Alabama's Community Colleges

Last week, Alabama's community colleges began their 2020 Census efforts with a kick off meeting and rally at the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) Office in Montgomery, Ala.

Last month, the ACCS was awarded an \$80,000 grant from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) to establish help centers on ACCS colleges campuses and Adult Education sites where community members can come to fill out the census. In addition, Alabama's community colleges will conduct awareness events across the state.

"As trusted members of their communities and with locations throughout the state, Alabama's community colleges are perfect partners as we seek to make it as easy as possible for Alabamians to participate in the 2020 Census," said Kenneth Boswell, chairman of Alabama Counts! and director of ADECA. "We look forward to the success of their efforts as we seek maximum participation among all Alabamians this spring and summer."

With more than 130 locations across the state, Alabama's two-year colleges are well-positioned to assist the state with their efforts to obtain a full and accurate count in the 2020 census.

"Our colleges serve more than 174,000 students each year and when combined with our more than 9,000 employees in every corner of the state it is evident that the ACCS can have a significant impact on Alabama's 2020 census count," said ACCS Chancellor Jimmy H. Baker. "We are not only committed to ensuring that every student and employee at our colleges is counted – community is in our name and it's important that we

TEACH (Continued from Page One)

Teacher of the Year. Herbert teaches English at Zion Chapel and was named the Secondary Teacher of the Year.

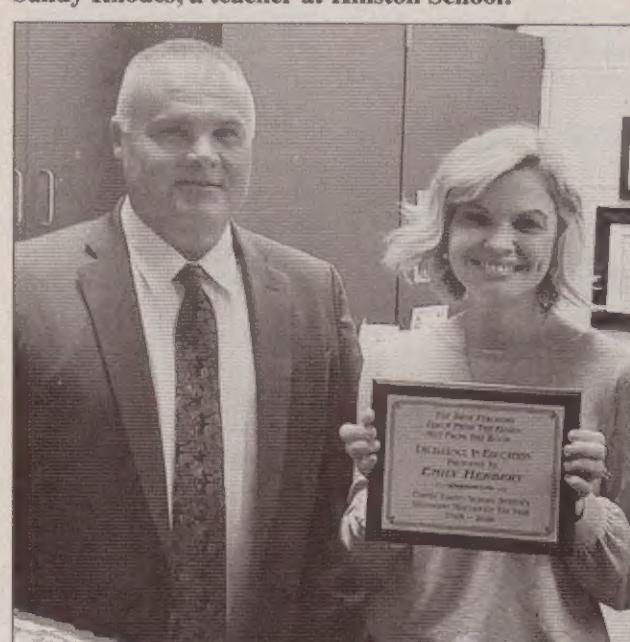
Both teachers received a cake, plaque, teacher ring, gift certificate to a restaur-

rant, and additional instructional supply money to be used for their classroom and students.

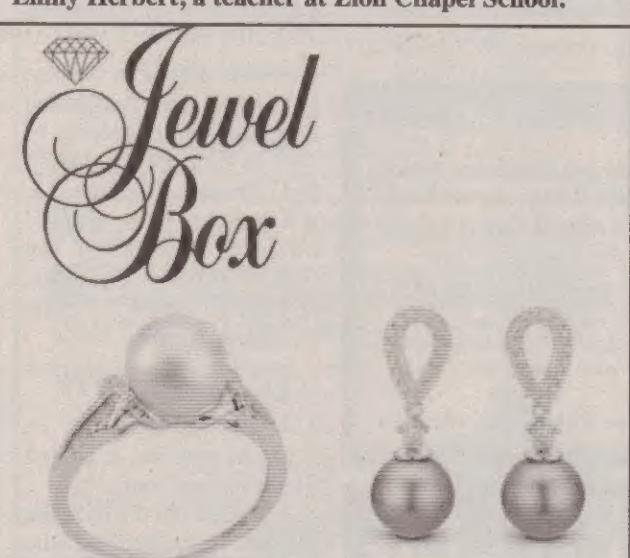
Additionally, the applications have been forwarded to the district level for state competition.



Coffee County superintendent Kevin Killingsworth presents the Elementary Teacher of the Year award to Sandy Rhodes, a teacher at Kinston School.



Coffee County superintendent Kevin Killingsworth presented the Secondary Teacher of the Year award to Emily Herbert, a teacher at Zion Chapel School.



VALENTINE'S DAY SALE IN PROGRESS

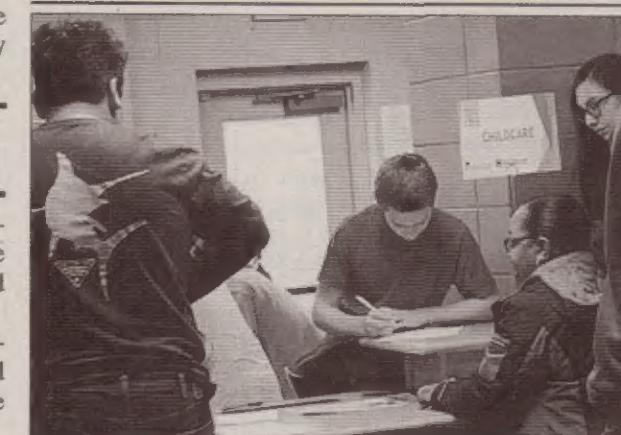
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On The Square
In Downtown Elba

Birthday Girl!!



Lula Williams Cole was honored with a 60th birthday celebration Saturday, Feb. 1, at the National Security Conference Center in Elba. This moment was captured as Lula made her entrance into the facility with her many family members and friends lining the way offering hugs and well-wishes to the birthday girl. Reports are it was a grand celebration fit for a queen!



Elba High School juniors and seniors participated in the 'Your Money, Your Life' program last Thursday, Jan. 30th. This was sponsored by the Coffee County Extension Office and Elba High School Career programs. This was a great exercise in teaching the students how to budget monthly income to pay for essential items in the real world such as a mortgage/rent, utilities, insurance, child care, etc.

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IN RE: The Estate of BILLY WINFRED HATAWAY,

Deceased.

CASE NO: PC-2020-001

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Margaret Blair Hataway, Personal Representative on the 14th of January, 2020, by the Hon. Steven E. Blair, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 24th day of January 2020.

/s/ Rodney H. Hamm

Personal Representative
1/30/26/2/13-pd.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage dated May 30, 2007, executed by Clarence Raymond Behan, married man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. solely as nominee for Mortgage America, Inc., which mortgage was recorded on May 30, 2007, in Official Records Book 409, Page 330, of the mortgage records in the Office of the Judge of Probate of

“A LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SE ¼ OF THE NW ¼, SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 6 N, RANGE 20 E, AND BEING BETTER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST MARGIN OF THE ELBA-TROY HIGHWAY (ALABAMA STATE HIGHWAY NO. 87) WHERE THE NORTH FORTY LINE OF SAID LAND INTERSECTS THE SAID EAST MARGIN; THENCE FROM SAID POINT EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID FORTY TO THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH AND EAST FORTY LINES; THENCE, SOUTH ALONG THE EAST FORTY LINE A DISTANCE OF 400 FEET; THENCE, NORTH WESTERLY FOR A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY 775 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST MARGIN OF SAID HIGHWAY; THENCE, NORTH EASTERLY ALONG THE SAID EAST MARGIN FOR A DISTANCE OF 210 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; LESS AND EXCEPT A PARCEL OF LAND CONVEYED BY SIDNEY AND GRACE W. STEVENS TO JUNE STEVENS BROWN AND TOM MACK BROWN BY DEED DATED MARCH 2, 1988, RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 88A, PAGE 55, THE FOLLOWING REAL ESTATE TO WIT: “A LOT OR PARCEL OF LAND IN THE SE ¼ OF THE NW ¼, SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 6 N, RANGE 20 E, AND BEING BETTER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EAST MARGIN OF THE ELBA-TROY HIGHWAY (ALABAMA STATE HIGHWAY NO. 87) WHERE THE NORTH FORTY LINE OF THE SAID LAND INTERSECTS THE SAID EAST MARGIN OF THE SAID HIGHWAY, THENCE FROM SAID POINT EASTWARDLY FOR 96 FEET; THENCE SOUTHWARDLY FOR 150 FEET; THENCE, WESTERLY FOR 96 FEET; THENCE, NORTH ALONG SAID EAST MARGIN OF SAID HIGHWAY FOR 130 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Voter registration deadline for March 3rd Primary is Feb. 14th

Please note that Friday, Feb. 14, at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline for registering to vote in time for the March 3rd Primary Election.

The Board of Registrars' office is located in the Coffee County Complex, Highway 84W, New Brockton, Ala.

Requirements to register to vote are:

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2. Person must live at the address provided on the application to register; and

3. Person must not be barred from voting by reason of felony conviction; and

4. Person must not have been adjudged "mentally incompetent" in a court of law.

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For further information contact:

Coffee County Board of Registrars, 4 County Complex, Highway 84W, New Brockton, Ala.

The Voters List for Coffee County

will be inserted in with the Feb. 14th

edition of the Elba Clipper!

Thursday, Feb. 27, at 4:30 p.m. is the deadline to apply for absentee ballots for the March 3rd Primary Election.

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

While there is absolutely no doubt our grandson's Law-
son's favorite meal is macaroni and cheese and kool-aid, he
has begun to experiment with other foods lately and one day
last week actually ate a hamburger patty outside the bun,
and even tried some pancakes. He is nowhere near a food
critic, but at least his mac and cheese fix is waning a little.

For what it is worth....

*** **The Elba Tigers** got back on track last week with an exciting three-point win over county rival New Brockton, but after hitting nine straight free throws in a mid-week loss to Brantley, hit only 2 of 15 free throws in the final three minutes of the game in the win over the Gamecocks and almost let a 10-point fourth quarter lead evaporate in the foul line. Elba did show improvement in the loss to Brantley and continued its progress over in New Brockton as Collin Harrison put on a show from behind the arc and Chrystyle Caldwell was as dominant as ever inside. The Tigers have a chance to pull off a shocker in the area tournament this week, but even if their season ends I am sure the players will remember some of the long bus rides and homecourt losses when they get back on the sneakers next season.

*** **The Elba Lady Tigers** bounced back from an early-week upset at Luverne to take out their frustrations from the loss on Brantley and New Brockton as they battered the Lady Bulldogs by 30 points and clobbered the Lady Gamecocks by 43 points, to close the regular season with an 18-7 record. The Lady Tigers have been one of the most dominant teams in south Alabama for most of the season and have lost only once to a 1A opponent, but must put all of their success behind them and be focused on the post-season since one loss can end the season. The Elba girls have worked hard for months to reach the post-season party, and their play in the coming days and weeks will show just how far they have really come this season.

*** **A look around the area** after the completion of the regular season revealed that it could be a fun post-season party for a number of area teams. With the boys, Brantley has proven it can compete with any team across the state on any given night and has the weapons to make a long run, while Zion Chapel appears to have a solid shot at moving on to the sub-region round and possibly even farther, New Brockton isn't a team any one can take lightly, and Kinston is well coached and very capable of pulling off a surprise. Over with the girls, Kinston enjoyed its best season in years and has its eyes squarely focused a trip to the regional tournament, while Brantley is wounded after a losing season, but still very dangerous; Zion Chapel has a real chance to advance to the sub-region level; and New Brockton has to be looking forward to the season to end.

*** **I read an article on line last week** about the financial status of the athletic department at the University of Alabama, and it looks like the folks up at Tuscaloosa better be happy the football team is successful! While Bama's football program put over \$25 million in the bank, the other sports were all in the red, except for men's basketball, which did have a positive balance of \$61,921. The other fifteen sports teams at Alabama had a combined loss of over \$22 million, led by baseball at almost \$3 million, track at over \$2 million, and women's athletics, which combined for over \$13 million in losses. A closer look at the financial chart revealed that a total of 11 athletic teams lost over \$1 million last season, which makes it clear that if not for the success of the football program there might not be quite as many teams wearing crimson and white.

*** **In closing...** it has been an exciting couple of weeks down at the small town of Hartford as Alabama Coach Nick Saban was in town to visit a Bulldog football standout and girl's basketball standout Karoline Striplin announced she had committed to play collegiately at the University of Tennessee. It looks like Geneva County High has become a place to visit for major college coaches!

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Survive late rally

Tigers beat 'Brockton 55-52

The Elba Tigers built up a 10-point lead with only four minutes left in the final stanza and turned back a late New Brockton rally to escape with a wild 55-52 road win over the New Brockton Gamecocks.

The Gamecocks jumped ahead early and were on top 4-2 with 6:30 left in the opening quarter after a 3-pointer by Tariq Walker, but the Tigers came roaring back and behind the scoring punch of Collin Harrison from behind the arc and Iverson Lane inside went on a 10-1 run to grab a 12-5 lead with 1:48 remaining in the quarter.

Elba extended its lead to 16-7 early in the second quarter after another long 3-pointer from Harrison, and went on top 19-9 with 3:14 remaining in the stanza after Iverson Lane drained a 3-pointer from deep in the corner. New Brockton rallied late in the half and sparked by the play of Julian Noble used a 7-0 run to pull within 19-16, but the Tigers scored the final two baskets of the half and went into the dressing room with a 23-16 lead on a last-second jumper by John Martin Wilson.

Collin Harrison's third 3-pointer of the night helped Elba up its lead to 27-16 early in the third quarter, and when Harrison connected again from behind the arc with 4:27 left in the stanza, the Tigers appeared to be in command with a big 33-20 lead. Elba took its biggest lead of the game at 35-20 with 4:05 left in the quarter on a short jumper by Chrystyle Caldwell and was still up 42-30 with 2:52 remaining after yet another 3-pointer by Collin Harrison, only to see the Gamecocks rally late and close the quarter on a 7-0 run to pull within 42-37 heading into the fourth quarter.

Elba remained in charge for much of the final quarter and led 53-43 with 4:40 left on the clock after a basket by Iverson Lane, but missed its next nine free throw opportunities as the Gamecocks rallied and got within 53-49 with 1:15 remaining on a basket by CJ Wilkerson. The Tigers did connect on two of their final six free throw chances in the closing seconds to grab a 55-52 lead, and managed to hold on to escape with the wild 55-52 win.

Collin Harrison scored 20 points to lead Elba, while Iverson Lane and Chrystyle Caldwell both added 14. Tariq Walker scored 21 points to lead the Gamecocks.

Elba (55): Lane 14, Harrison 20, Burks 2, Epps 2, Coleman 1, Wilson 2, Caldwell 14.

N.B. (52): Shehee 3, Wilkerson 7, Noble 9, Walker 21, Reynolds 4, Keity 7.

(JV Game)

The Elba Tigers scored only six points in the first half and never recovered from the slow start in a 32-22 loss to the New Brockton Gamecocks. Chayse Peterson scored 7 points to lead Elba, while Adkinson led the Gamecocks with 16 points.

N.B. (32): Foster 7, Lawson 2, Smith 5, Wilkerson 2, Adkinson 16.

Elba (22): Washington 3, Thomas 2, Purvis 3, Hamilton 5, Peterson 7, Mereck 1, Daniels 1.

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Elba Tiger Chrystyle Caldwell (in white) goes up for a basket in last week's area battle against Brantley. Caldwell, a sophomore, scored 24 points in the loss to the Bulldogs.

(Photo by Roberta Gideon)

In area finale

Tigers caged by Brantley 73-58

The Elba Tigers got off to a slow start and never recovered last week in a fast-paced 73-58 area loss to the Brantley Bulldogs.

Brantley came out on fire both inside and outside the arc in the opening quarter and behind the play of Keenwyn Dixon and Billy Burnett raced out to an early 11-1 lead. Elba pulled within eight points at 13-5 with 3:30 left in the stanza on a basket by Chrystyle Caldwell, but the Bulldogs Morrell Edwards sparked a 9-0 run to extend the lead to 50-28 as Brantley refused to give the Tigers any hope. Elba did have a chance to cut into the lead late in the stanza, but connected on only 2 of 8 free throws in the stanza as Brantley remained in command and carried a 56-36 lead into the fourth quarter.

Elba connected on nine straight free throws early in the fourth quarter and got back within striking distance at 63-49 midway through the quarter, but the Bulldogs never lost command, and despite a late crowd-pleasing dunk by Chrystyle Caldwell, the Bulldogs went home with the solid 73-58 area win.

B'ley (73): Pitman 2, Dixon 11, Burnett 24, Person 13, Edwards 9, Carlisle 9, Smith 3, Richardson 2.

Elba (58): Tidwell 1, Caldwell 24, Lane 7, Harrison 13, Carnley 2, Burks 4, Coleman 1, Wilson 3, Miguez 3.

(JV Game)

The Elba Tigers saw a late rally fall short in a 38-36 loss to the Brantley Bulldogs. Malachi Washington scored 9 points and Sebastian Thomas added 7 to lead Elba, while Pittman led Brantley with 12 points.

B'ley (38): Parks 6, Bush 4, Pittman 12, Parks 3, Davis 4, Rhodes 7, Tyson 2.

Elba (36): Washington 9, Thomas 7, Hill 4, Peterson 4, Mereck 6, Daniels 6.

Reynolds bowls perfect game at junior event in Enterprise

In a junior bowling tournament held last weekend at Boll Weevil Lanes in Enterprise, Ala., 18-year-old Austin Reynolds of Enterprise bowled a perfect game of 300 on Sunday, Feb. 2, in his highest scoring game of a 6-game series.

Reynolds top score was closely followed in this 6-game series by a top game of 272 shot by Drew Mack, age 16, of Elba [a student at Zion Chapel School].

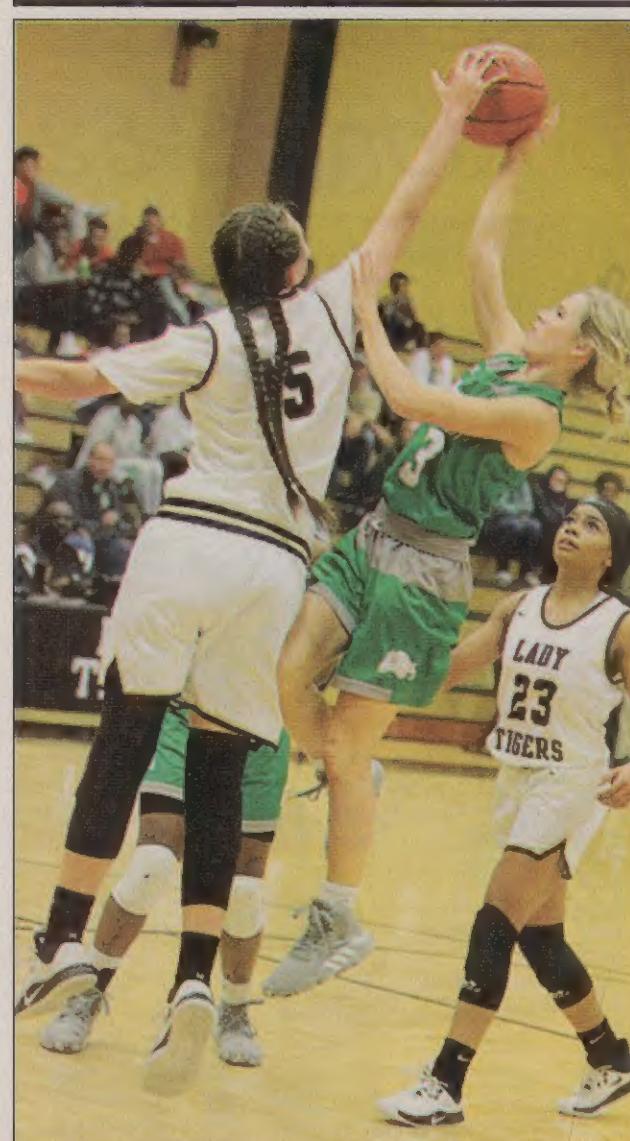
Reynolds overall score in the series was 1261 while Mack had an overall score in the series of 1272. In Reynolds' perfect game, he bowled 12 strikes in a row while Mack had eight strikes in a row in his top game.

This is Reynolds eighth year bowling, and Mack is in his fifth year of bowling



Austin Reynolds (left) bowled a perfect 300 game Sunday, Feb. 2, while Drew Mack (right) bowled a top score game of 267. This was during a junior bowling

SPORTS NEWS



Elba Lady Tiger Breanna Sanders (in white) goes high to block a shot attempt by Brantley's Emory Bush. The Lady Tigers defeated the Lady Bulldogs 54-24 to clinch the regular season area title.

(Photo by Roberta Gideon)

Cinch area title

Elba Lady Tigers bop Lady Bulldogs 54-24

The Elba Lady Tigers put an exclamation mark on their drive for an area title last week with a dominating 54-24 win over the Brantley Lady Bulldogs.

Nina Williams connected on a pair of 3-pointers and scored 10 points in the opening stanza to help the Lady Tigers open up a 15-8 lead, and Williams and Freeda Hooks combined for 11 points in the second quarter as Elba went in at intermission with a solid 29-18 advantage.

The Lady Tigers came out determined to erase any doubts about their area dominance in the third quarter and behind an aggressive defense and the scoring of Freeda Hooks

Luverne sweeps Elba

The Elba Tigers and Lady Tigers hit the road to Luverne last Monday night and enjoyed little success as all three teams suffered road losses.

Following is a recap of the three games:

Varsity Boys

Luverne 87 Elba 38

The Elba Tigers fell behind 22-3 in the opening quarter and never recovered in a lopsided 87-38 loss to Luverne.

Elba came out ready to play and behind the combination of Jaylyn Baker and Freeda Hooks jumped out to an early 13-7 lead. Luverne cut the lead to 20-15 heading into the third quarter, but the Lady Tigers regained command and extended its lead to 27-17 late in the stanza. Luverne took advantage of Elba turnovers to chop the Lady Tigers lead to 27-25 heading into the fourth quarter, and then went up early in the fourth quarter and held the lead until an Elba rally out the Lady Tigers on top 40-37 with less than a minute on the clock. Luverne scored four quick points to regain the lead at 41-40.

Nina Williams scored 13 points and Freeda Hooks added 11 to lead Elba. Luverne (87): Johnson 9, Burnett 12, Richardson 7, Thomas 7, Williams 6. Elba (41): Baker 4, N. Williams 13, M. Williams 2, Sanders 8, Hooks 11, Caldwell 2.

Harrison drained two more of his four 3-pointers in the third quarter to give the Tigers hope, but Luverne continued to add to its lead and connected on six more treys in the final quarter to close the books on the 87-38 win.

Collin Harrison scored 16 points and Chrystyle Caldwell added 11 to lead Elba.

Luverne (87): Moneyham 9, McGhee 5, Glanton 6, Turner 13, Magwood 5, Presley 8, Ezell 13, Gregory 4, Smith 8, Brooks 16.

Elba (38): Lane 1, Manguel 2, Harrison 16, Carmley 3, Coleman 2, Epps 3, Caldwell 11.

Varsity Girls

Luverne 41 Elba 40

The Elba Lady Tigers saw a three-point lead vanish in

Improve record to 18-7

Lady Tigers run past New Brockton 60-17

The Elba Lady Tigers closed out the regular season with an impressive 18-7 record last week with an easy 60-17 romp past the New Brockton Lady Gamecocks.

An early 3-pointer by Breanna Sanders helped the Lady Tigers jump out to a 7-0 lead with 4:53 left in the first quarter, but New Brockton's Madison Meeks scored four points in a span of only seven seconds to cut the lead to 7-4. Elba came back refocused after a quick time out; however, and led by the outside scoring of Breanna Sanders and a sticky defense, the Lady Tigers closed the quarter on a 13-0 run to carry a 20-4 lead into the second quarter.

Lady Gamecocks Madison Meeks and Paula McKenna both drained 3-pointers early in the second quarter to pull New Brockton within 20-10, but the Lady Gamecocks didn't score again in the stanza as Breanna Sanders and Freeda Hooks sparked the Lady Tigers on both ends of the court and ignited a 23-0 run that put the Lady Tigers on

top 43-10 at intermission. Baskets by Zhandria Siler and Maggie Hammonds sparked an early 6-0 Elba run in the third quarter as the Lady Tigers lead grew to 49-10, while another basket by Hammonds with 2:21 remaining in the stanza pushed the lead to 54-12.

New Brockton's Maria Bush scored early in the fourth quarter to highlight a brief 3-0 run for the Lady Gamecocks. However, the Lady Tiger reserves remained in command and behind the play of Maggie Hammonds and Undraya Chism never slowed down as they coasted in with the big 60-17 road win.

Breanna Sanders scored 17 points, all in the first half, to lead Elba, while Freeda Hooks added 12 points. Madison Meeks scored 7 points to lead the Lady Gamecocks.

Elba (60): Baker 5, Chism 4, N. Williams 3, U. Chism 4, Hammonds 6, M. Williams 6, Sanders 17, Hooks 12, Caldwell 1, Siler 2.

N.B. (17): Sims 1, Barkley 2, Bush 2, McKenna 5, Meeks 7.

High School ROUNDBALL ROUNDUP

BOYS:

Rebels clawed by Purple Cats 58-46

The Zion Chapel Rebels suffered a 58-46 loss to the Arinton Purple Cats. Billy Heap scored 12 points to lead the Rebels, while Hayes Floyd scored 12 points and handed out 5 assists to lead the Purple Cats and Landon Tyler added 12 points and 11 rebounds.

Gamecocks caged by G.W. Long 73-64

The New Brockton Gamecocks dropped a high scoring 73-64 decision to the G.W. Long Rebels. Tariq Walker scored 17 points and Sean Lindsey added 14 to lead the Gamecocks, while Braxton Whitehead scored 28 points for the Rebels.

Kinston Bulldogs soar past Eagles 66-58

The Kinston Bulldogs rolled to an impressive 66-58 road win over the Pleasant Home Eagles. Ayden Wallace scored 17 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Reece Hall added 16, Cale Sumblin added 14 and Tripp Hawthorne scored 11.

Zion Chapel Rebels zap Bulldogs 60-54

The Zion Chapel Rebels carried a 14-point lead into the fourth quarter and turned back a late Kinston comeback to defeat the Bulldogs 60-54. Brady Cobb scored 14 points and Billy Heap added 11 to lead the Rebels, while Cale Sumblin scored 13 points to lead the Bulldogs.

B'ley (24): Hawthorne 1, Bush 3, Upshaw 1, Bargenre 4, Edwards 1, Perkins 12, Dunn 2.

The Zion Chapel Rebels came out ready to erase any doubts about their area dominance in the third quarter and behind an aggressive defense and the scoring of Freeda Hooks

Elba (54): Baker 1, N. Williams 22, Chism 1, M. Williams 9, Sanders 8, Hooks 13.

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Kinston flattened in Flora 73-48

The Kinston Bulldogs suffered a lopsided 73-48 loss to the Flora Wildcats. Reece Hall scored 16 points to lead the Bulldogs, while Cale Sumblin added 12 and Ayden Wallace scored 9.

GIRLS:

Lady Bulldogs outscore Lady Cats 57-48

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs remained on a roll with an impressive 57-48 win over the Flora Lady Wildcats. Faith Peters scored 24 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Courtney Lunsford and Kelsi Cardwell both added 14 points.

Brockton nipped by Goshen 31-25

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks battled for all four quarters in a 31-25 loss to the Goshen Lady Eagles. Paula McKenna scored 20 points to lead the Lady Gamecocks, while Ella Baker led the Lady Eagles with 9 points.

Lady Rebels fall hard to Lady Cats 48-18

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels never had a chance in a lopsided 48-18 loss to the Arinton Lady Cats. Janina Miles scored 8 points to lead the Lady Rebels, while Lexie Wiloughby scored 16 points for Arinton and Zakyria Johnson added 15 points and 14 rebounds.

Lady Bulldogs drop Lady Rebels 46-21

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs posted a big 46-21 win over the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels. Faith Peters scored 16 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Kelsi Cardwell added 15. Janina Miles led the Lady Rebels with 13 points.

Lady Bulldogs fall to Straughn 37-34

The Brantley Lady Bulldogs battled for all four quarters and into an extra period in a 37-34 road loss to the Straughn Lady Tigers. Gabby Perkins scored 19 points and grabbed 18 rebounds to lead the Lady Bulldogs.

Boys Junior Varsity

Luverne 28 Elba 26

Luverne (28): Harris 5, Salter 2, Jordan 7, Jones 2, Hardant 2, Rich 10.

Elba (26): Washington 2, Thomas 6, Hill 10, Peterson 3, Daniels 5.

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Elba Lady Tiger Nina Williams (3) gets inside for an easy basket. Williams scored 17 points in the first half last week in a 22-point outing in the Lady Tigers 54-24 area win over Brantley.

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